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Railroad Headquarters approved for release 2002/08/15 : CIA-RDP83-00415R010100060003-9 July to
8 August 1951 included:

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Date 1951	Number of Railroad Cars	Load
22 July	58 boxcars	nitrogen from Piesteritz
24 July	25 boxcars 13 gondola cars 15 tank cars	gasoline and machine parts (1)
	60 boxcars	undetermined
	58 flatcars with side racks and gondola cars	machine parts
	32 flatcars and gondola cars	wheel sets (2)

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28 July	12 refrigerator cars 4 flatcars with side racks 10 gondola cars	new refrigerator cars, Soviet-gauge axles and machine parts (3)
29 July	6 boxcars 2 gondola cars	machine parts and electric cars
	16 tank cars	gasoline (1)
	54 flatcars and gondola cars	machine parts including lathes for China
30 July	16 flatcars with side racks and gondola cars	wheel sets (2)
	12 refrigerator cars 4 flatcars	new refrigerator cars and Soviet-gauge axles (3)
31 July	24 refrigerator cars 8 flatcars with side racks	new refrigerator cars and Soviet-gauge wheel sets (3)
	34 tank cars	gasoline (1)
	8 boxcars 2 flatcars with side racks	new special freight cars and wheel sets (3)
	8 boxcars 3 tank cars	undetermined
	9 boxcars 40 gondola cars	boxes guarded by VP
1 August	18 boxcars 28 gondola cars	machine parts
2 August	24 refrigerator cars 8 flatcars with side racks	new refrigerator cars and Soviet-gauge axles from Leipzig (3)
3 August	20 boxcars 4 flatcars with side racks	new special freight cars and Soviet-gauge wheel sets (3)
	30 flatcars and gondola cars	boxes

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4 August	26 boxcars 18 tank cars	gasoline, guarded (1)
	43 gondola cars	gravel and coal
	12 boxcars 3 heavy-type flatcars	cement pipes and factory equipment for Poland, guarded by VP
5 August	30 tank cars	gasoline (1)
	25 boxcars and gondola cars	load undetermined, guarded
	1	six-axle railroad crane (3) with accessory and wheel sets loaded on a heavy-type flatcars
	6 boxcars 1 flatcar with side racks	new special freight cars and wheel sets (3)
	6 tank cars	tar
	12 boxcars	export goods
	26 gondola cars	briquettes
	52 flatcars with side racks and gondola cars	wheel sets (2)
6 August	60 boxcars and gondola cars	reparations deliveries
	40 gondola cars, flatcars with side racks and heavy-type flatcars	12 mine cars, 1 grab crane, reparations deliveries and boxes
7 August	40 gondola cars and flatcars with side racks	wheel sets (2)
8 August	3 converted boxcars 46 boxcars and gondola cars	military goods, guarded.

~~2~~ 2. Source learned of the extent of these reparations deliveries [redacted] 25X1X

[redacted] according to which a total of 490 refrigerator cars were accepted by the Soviets during the period from 1 January to 15 May 1951. Beside these cars which were delivered on reparations account, 398 four-axle all-metal refrigerator cars with a gauge of 1,524 mm were ordered in the Soviet Zone of Germany on 15 May 1951 by the Soviet Machine Import Company at 21 ul. Kuibyshven in Moscow at a price of 40,000

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rubels per car. Of this total, 298 refrigerator cars will be delivered by the railroad car factory in Dessau and 100 by the railroad car factory in Weimar. Dates of delivery have been fixed as follows:

160 cars in October 1951
160 cars in November 1951
78 cars by 15 December 1951. (4)

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Comments.

25X1A (1) Deliveries by the Soviet Zone hydrogenation plants to the U.S.S.R. and Poland. Which of these shipments went to the U.S.S.R. and which to Poland could not be determined.

25X1A (2) Standard-gauge wheel sets sent to Soviet border crossing points for use by the 20,000 German freight cars returned from the U.S.S.R. [redacted]

(3) Reparations deliveries by Soviet Zone railroad car factories to the U.S.S.R. 25X1X

(4) Directorate General, Railroads, in Berlin indicates that source of the present report observed only a fraction of the eastbound traffic passing through Guben. 25X1A

Accordingly, Poland, which came into effect on 20 May 1951, up to 9 Soviet trains in each direction may pass through Guben daily. [redacted] 25X1A

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Date	Number and Type of Cars	Load	
9 August	21 tank cars	gasoline	(2)
	12 Soviet express train coaches	new	
	5 four-axle tipping cars	new	
	6 flatcars with sideracks	Soviet-gauge wheel sets	(3)
	26 tank cars	gasoline, guarded	(2)
10 August	57 boxcars	loaded, guarded	
11 August	58 boxcars	reparations goods	
	50 boxcars	"	
	10 boxcars	export goods for Poland	
	48 cars	prefabricated houses	
	32 flatcars	machine parts, reparations goods	
	12 special freight cars	new	
	2 flatcars with sideracks	Soviet-gauge wheel sets	(3)
12 August	5 four-axle self-tipping cars	new	
	2 flatcars with sideracks	Soviet-gauge wheel sets	(3)
	18 boxcars	export goods	
13 August	42 flatcars	wheel sets	(4)
14 August	32 flatcars with sideracks and SS-type flatcars	machine parts, guarded by Volkspolizei	
	20 flatcars	machine parts for Brest Litovsk	
15 August	20 boxcars	loaded, guarded	
	20 tank cars	gasoline, guarded	(2)
17 August	12 special freight cars	new	
	2 flatcars with sideracks	Soviet-gauge wheel sets	(3)

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1 six-axle railroad
slewing crane ~~to~~ Brest Litovsk
5 automatic tipping cars new
2 flatcars with Soviet-gauge wheel sets and
sideracks
1 SS-type flatcar accessories (3)
10 boxcars loaded, guarded

21 August
1 six-axle railroad
slewing crane ~~to~~ Brest Litovsk
1 SS-type flatcar Soviet-gauge wheel sets
with accessories
12 boxcars machine parts and other
33 gondola cars reparations goods

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Comments.

- (1) The report continues previous information. See [redacted] attached report.
- (2) Fuel deliveries by Soviet Zone hydrogenation plants to the U.S.S.R.
See [redacted]
- (3) Probably reparations deliveries by Soviet Zone car factories to the U.S.S.R. The Soviet-gauge wheel sets will be used in the U.S.S.R. and the standard-gauge wheel sets will be returned to the Soviet Zone of Germany.
- (4) Standard-gauge wheel sets en route to the Soviet Zone of Germany where they will be mounted on 20,000 former German freight cars returned from the U.S.S.R.

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passing the border
near Guben during the period from 9 to 21 August 1951 included: (1)

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